

# HARDY IN CHARGE

TED HARDY, the former Dagenham, Bishop's Stortford and Enfield manager, has taken over at Leytonstone and will be in charge of the side for the first time tomorrow (Saturday) for the visit of Wycombe Wanderers in the Rothmans Isthmian League.

Hardy announced his decision on Tuesday evening and has a major task on his hands to save the Essex club from relegation to Division Two. They are currently in 21st place with eight points — five points behind Southall.

Leytonstone have been troubled by a series of injuries this term and at one stage had to call former England amateur John Charles out of retirement to help them out. The Stones will select their squad from: A. Mackie, L. Tilley, L. Rainor, R. Hames, M. Smith, J. Smith, T. Smith, S. Spicer, G. Shumake, J. Brooks, S. King, D. Staines.

Wycombe have plenty of injury problems themselves. Ray Eaton, left back, was added to the list on Tuesday when he dislocated his elbow against Hayes and had to go to hospital to have it put

back. The elbow is bound to be painful for a couple of days and Ray must be doubtful for the trip to Cranleigh Road.

Other casualties are John Delaney, who has shingles, and goalkeeper John Maskell, who has a slight infection. Paul Birdseye has also been suffering recently with a hamstring. Should Eaton not be fit in time, manager Brian Lee knows he has a ready made replacement in Derek Cotterill, who came on for the second half on Tuesday and gave an excellent performance.

## ROTHMANS ISTMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

(Up to and inc. 11/10/78)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Enfield	18	14	3	2	48	17	46
Hendon	21	11	5	5	33	18	38
<b>Wycombe</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>35</b>
Ilford	20	10	5	5	27	20	35
Slough	21	9	7	5	34	23	34
Sutton	18	9	5	4	40	23	32
Dulwich	19	10	2	7	35	20	32
L'head	20	9	5	6	35	33	32
Dagenham	18	9	4	5	41	29	31
Barking	15	8	3	4	24	21	27
Bishop's	20	7	5	8	26	26	26
Hitchin	20	7	5	8	19	23	26
Tooting	15	7	4	4	22	17	25
Staines	16	6	5	5	19	13	23
Hayes	18	5	8	5	23	22	23
Kings	18	6	4	8	31	46	22
Woking	20	4	3	13	25	39	15
W'stow	17	4	2	11	20	33	14
Oxford	17	3	5	9	9	25	14
Southall	12	3	4	5	21	25	13
L'stone	18	1	5	12	13	33	8
Clapton	18	1	0	17	3	52	3